## EXHIBIT 19

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2		ALEXANDRIA I	DIVISION
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5		et al.,	
6		Plaintiffs	:
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7		V.	: No. 1:23-cv-00108
8		GOOGLE, LLC,	:
9		Defendants.	:
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10 11		Friday, August	- 10 2022
12		Filday, August	10, 2023
13		Video Deposition of	f COL. JOHN HORNING,
13		taken at the Law Offices of	f Paul. Weiss.
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16		Washington, DC, beginning a	at 9.34 a.m. Eastern
		Standard Time, before Ryan	K. Black, Registered
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1	APPEARANCES:	1	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Good morning.
2 3	UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	2	We're going on the record at 9:34 on August 18th,
	ANTITRUST DIVISION	3	2023. Please note that the microphones are
4	BY: JIMMY MCBIRNEY, ESQ. CHASE PRITCHETT, ESQ.	4	sensitive and may pick up whispering and private
5	ALVIN CHU, ESQ.	5	conversations. Please mute your phones at this
6	MARK SOSNOWSKY, ESQ Via Zoom	6	time. Audio and video recording will continue to
0	KATHERINE CLEMONS, ESQ - Via Zoom 450 5th Street, N.W	7	take place unless all parties agree to go
7	Washington, DC 20530 202.514.2414		
8	jimmy.mcbirney@usdoj.gov	8	off the record.
	chase.pritchett@usdoj.gov	9	This is Media Unit 1 of the
9	alvin.chu@usdoj.gov mark.sosnowsky@usdoj.gov	10	video-recorded deposition of Colonel John Horning
10	katherine.clemons@usdoj.gov	11	in the matter of United States, et al., v. Google
11 12	Representing - The United States of America	12	LLC. The location of the deposition is Paul
13	PAUL, WEISS, RIFKIND, WHARTON & GARRISON LLP,	13	Weiss.
14	BY: MARTHA L. GOODMAN, ESQ. LEAH HIBBLER, ESQ.	14	My name is Glenn Fortner, representing
17	2001 K St NW,	15	Veritext, and I'm the videographer. The court
15	Washington, DC	16	reporter is Ryan Black from the firm Veritext.
16	202.223.7341 mgoodman@paulweiss.com	17	I'm not related to any party in this action, nor
	lhibbler@paulweiss.com	18	am I financially interested in the outcome.
17	Representing - Google LLC	19	If there are any objections to
18		20	proceeding, please state them at the time of your
19 20		21	appearance. Counsel and all present, including
21		22	remotely, will now state their appearances and
22 23	ALSO PRESENT:	23	affiliations for the record beginning with the
24	Glenn Fortner - Legal Videographer	24	noticing attorney.
25	Major Mohamed Al-Darsani - United States Army Edwin Farley - USDOJ Intern	25	MS. GOODMAN: Martha Goodman, from the
23	•	23	
1	Page 3 INDEX	1	Page 5 law firm Paul Weiss, on behalf of Google LLC.
2	TESTIMONY OF: COL. JOHN HORNING PAGE	2	
3	By Ms. Goodman6, 244		I'm joined by my colleague Leah Hibbler.
4	By Mr. McBirney245	3	MR. MCBIRNEY: Jimmy McBirney, with the
5	EXHIBITS	4	Unites Staes Department of Justice, on behalf of
6	EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION PAGE	5	the United States and the witness.
7	Exhibit 61 a privilege log dated June 26th,	6	MR. PRITCHETT: Chase Pritchett, on
	2023, provided by the United	7	behalf of the United States.
8 9	States DOJ11 Exhibit 62 a document Bates Numbered	8	MR. CHU: Alvin Chu on behalf of the
	ARMY-ADS336340 through 336638154	9	United States.
10		10	MR. SOSNOWSKY: Mark Sosnowsky on behalf
	Exhibit 63 a document Bates Numbered	11	of the United States.
11	ARMY-ADS329948 through 329970165	12	MAJOR AL-DARSANI: Moe Al-Darsani,
12	Exhibit 64 a document Bates Numbered	13	United States Army.
	ARMY-ADS187047 through 187077211	14	MR. FARLEY: Edwin Farley, United
13		15	States.
14		16	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Okay. Will the court
15		17	reporter please swear in the witness and then
16 17		18	counsel may proceed.
18		19	MR. CHU: Oh, also, just to let you
19		20	know, I have Katherine Clemons she'll be
20		21	from the DOJ that will also joining in and out.
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21 22 23		23	Whereupon
21 22			

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1	or affirmed, was examined and testified as	1	that.
2	follows:	2	Q. Have you ever requested legal advice
3	* * *	3	from the Department of Justice Antitrust
4	EXAMINATION	4	Division?
5	BY MS. GOODMAN:	5	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for
6	Q. Good morning, Colonel Horning.	6	privileged information. Instruct the witness not
7	A. Good morning.	7	to answer.
8	Q. Have you been deposed before?	8	MS. GOODMAN: You're asking him the
9	A. I have not.	9	information that would appear on a privilege log
10	Q. Do you understand your purpose here	10	with a request for legal advice that's required
11	today is to provide truthful and accurate	11	for you as the privilege the party asserting a
12	testimony to the best of your testimony and	12	privilege to establish the proprietary of the
13	knowledge?	13	privilege and meet your burden of proof and
14	A. I do.	14	persuasion that the privilege applies, you're
15	Q. Is there any reason you cannot do that	15	instructing him not to answer that question?
16	today?	16	MR. MCBIRNEY: You are asking the
17	A. No.	17	witness whether he has requested legal advice
18	Q. Okay. Because the court reporter is	18	from the Department of Justice Antitrust
19	writing everything down, it's important that we	19	Division?
20	not talk over one another, so please let me	20	MS. GOODMAN: Yeah.
21	finish my question before you begin your answer.	21	MR. MCBIRNEY: You can answer that yes
22	Okay?	22	or no.
23	A. Okay.	23	THE WITNESS: No.
24	Q. And because he's again taking a written	24	BY MS. GOODMAN:
25	transcript, the you have to speak verbally as	25	Q. To what extent has anybody at the
	Page 7		Page 9
1	opposed to with sounds like uh-huh or huh-uh	1	Department of Justice ever asked you to provide
2	so that it can be accurately reflected in the	2	information about the Army's advertising
3	transcript. Okay?	3	business?
4	A. I understand.	4	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Privileged.
5	Q. If you don't understand my question,	5	Instruct the witness not to answer.
6	please let me know. Okay?	6	BY MS. GOODMAN:
7	A. Yes.	7	Q. Are you going to follow that
8	Q. Otherwise I assume you'll understand.	8	instruction, sir?
9	Okay?	9	A. Yes.
10	A. Yes.	10	Q. Okay. When did you first have any
11	Q. In the normal course of your work, do	11	conversations with anybody at the Department of
12	you consider the Department of Justice Antitrust	12	Justice Antitrust Division?
13	Division to be your counsel?	13	A. As best that I can recall, our first
14	A. I'm not sure that I'm qualified to	14	interaction would have been in early spring of
15	answer, within the legal constructs of the U.S.	15	2023 or late winter. I I can't recall the
16	government, who our actual counsel is or is not.	16	specific date.
17	Q. I'm not asking for you to provide a	17	Q. So sometime between late winter of what
18	legal opinion. I'm asking for your personal	18	year?
19	understanding and your considerations, your	19	A. 2023.
20	personal opinions. So do you consider the	20	Q. Okay. And early spring of 2023?
21	Department of Justice Antitrust Division to be	21	A. Correct.
22	your counsel in the normal course of your work?	22	Q. Okay. What was your understanding
	A I don't haliage that I have a personal	23	of the reason for your conversations with the
23	A. I don't believe that I have a personal	23	or the reason for your conversations with the
23 24	opinion on who our counsel is. I only know	24	Department of Justice Antitrust Division?

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1	privileged information. Instruct the witness not	1	Q. I'm sorry. I meant Page 11.
2	to answer.	2	A. Okay.
3	BY MS. GOODMAN:	3	Q. It's line entry 23 on Page 11.
4	Q. Are you following that instruction?	4	A. Okay.
5	A. Yes.	5	Q. So one, two, three, four, five columns
6	Q. Has the Department of Justice ever	6	over, you're listed in the To column. Do you see
7	requested information about digital advertising	7	that?
8	purchases by the United States Army?	8	A. I do.
9	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for	9	Q. And do you see the date in the few-more
10	privileged information. Instruct the witness not	10	columns over of January 5th, 2023?
11	to answer.	11	A. Okay.
12	BY MS. GOODMAN:	12	Q. Does that refresh your recollection of
13	Q. Are you following that instruction?	13	the time period where you first had conversations
14	A. Yes.	14	with the Department of Justice Antitrust
15	Q. Do you in the course of your work,	15	Division?
16	do you routine do you field requests for	16	A. Can you help me understand what it is
17	information from the Department of Justice on	17	I'm actually looking at here?
18	an ordinary basis?	18	Q. Yeah. So this is what's called a
19	A. I do not.	19	privilege log.
20	Q. Are you aware of anybody else within	20	A. I'm not familiar with what one of those
21	the AEMO who re regularly fields requests for	21	are.
22	information from the Department of Justice?	22	Q. Okay. A privilege log is a
23	A. I'm not personally aware of anything	23	document that parties are required to provide
24	like that.	24	to the opposing side when they're asserting
25	MS. GOODMAN: I'm marking Exhibit 61, a	25	attorney-client or attorney work product or other
	Page 11		Page 13
1	privilege log dated June 26th, 2023, provided by	1	privilege over communications
2	the United States in this litigation. I'm	2	A. Okay.
3	handing it to the witness.	3	Q that they are not providing to
4	(Exhibit No. 61, a privilege log dated	4	the other side in litigation. So that's what a
5	June 26th, 2023, provided by the United States	5	privilege log is. And so by virtue of this
6	DOJ, was introduced.)	6	entry, on Line 23 the United States is asserting
7	BY MS. GOODMAN:	7	a privilege, as described in the last column,
8	Q. Now, Colonel Horning, this is not a	8	A. Okay.
9	document I would normally show a percipient	9	Q over your communication with
10	witness, but I'm essentially hamstrung and must	10	Mr. Wessels and others
11	do so here today for reasons that don't pertain	11	A. Okay.
12	to you, per se. But I would like you to turn to	12	Q listed on this page.
13	Page 11 of this document.	13	A. Okay.
14	Let me know when you're there.	14	Q. Do you understand now?
15	A. Okay. I am on Page 11.	15	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Assumes facts
16	Q. Okay. And if you look back at Page 1,	16	not in evidence. Form of the question.
17	actually, you see there is a heading at the top	17	BY MS. GOODMAN:
18	that indicate what each of the columns are.	18	Q. Do you understand do you have an
19	A. Okay.	19	appropriate understanding now of what a privilege
20	Q. Okay. So you see that in the, one, two,	20	log is?
21	three, four, five fifth column over on Page	21	A. I do understand what this document is
22	23, which is the To column, your name is	22	now.
23	listed	23	Q. Okay. So having now looked at this
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24	<ul> <li>A. On? I'm sorry. Could you say what page</li> </ul>	24	document and understanding what it is, does it

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2	iming of your conversations with the Antitrust Division?  MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; foundation, and to form.  THE WITNESS: It does not refresh my recollection, but I have no reason to believe this is not true. BY MS. GOODMAN:  Q. Okay. And you see in the column next to the date, which is the subject if you look back at Page 1, you can see that that is the subject column.  A. Yes.  Q. Okay. Can you read the subject to me mere?  A. The subject on Item 23 of the privilege sog says, brackets, "external DOJ-Army interview on Google-Meta advertising products used by DOD."  Q. Okay. Do you recall who was interviewed who at the Army was interviewed on Google-Meta advertising products used by DOD on or around this date of January 5th, 2023?  MR. MCBIRNEY: You can answer that yes or no.  THE WITNESS: I do not recall.	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24	Q. What was your understanding of the purpose of the interview?  MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for privileged information. Instruct the witness not to answer.  BY MS. GOODMAN:  Q. Are you following that instruction?  A. Yes.  Q. What facts strike that.  At the time reflected here on this log,  A. Mm-hmm.  Q January 5th, 2023, were you aware of any anticompetitive conduct on the part of Google affecting the Army's advertising  MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection.  BY MS. GOODMAN:  Q practices?  MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a legal conclusion.  BY MS. GOODMAN:  Q. You may answer.  A. I'm not sure that I have am qualified to know or would have been made
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1 2 3 4 5 6	or no.	24	qualified to know or would have been made
25 1 2 3 4 5 6			
2 3 4 5 6		25	available any infor or would have had any
2 3 4 5 6	Page 15		Page 17
2 3 4 5 6	BY MS. GOODMAN:	1	information available to me on that topic.
3 4 5 6	Q. Okay. Do you recall yourself being	2	Q. Around this time of January 5th, 2023,
4 5 6	interviewed on this topic?	3	were you aware of any conduct on the part of
5 6	A. I recall being interviewed, but I do not	4	Google that was causing the Army to pay prices
6	recall that this was the date for it.	5	for advertising that were too high?
	Q. Okay. Do you recall who interviewed	6	A. I had not been made aware of anything
7	vou?	7	like that at the time frame that you're asking.
8	A. I only recall I didn't there was	8	Q. Okay. How about prior to the time frame
	likely more than one person. I only recall one	9	that I'm asking?
	by name.	10	A. Not that I can recall, no.
11	Q. Who do you recall by name?	11	Q. Okay. What's your understanding of the
12	A. Mr. Chase Pritchett.	12	word anticompetitive?
13	Q. Okay. How long did the interview last?	13	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for
14	A. I can't be certain. I think it was,	14	legal conclusion, and foundation.
	likely, 60 to 90 minutes, perhaps.	15	THE WITNESS: I only know the common
16	Q. And this is a yes or no question: Did	16	language terminology. I don't understand the
	the United States Antitrust Division lawyers	17	actual legal definitions or implications.
	present explain to you the purpose of the	18	Anticompetitive: Not competitive.
	interview?	19	BY MS. GOODMAN:
20	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for	20	Q. So what is your common language
	privileged communication. Instruct the witness	21	understanding of the word anticompetitive?
		22	A. I understand it in the context of
		23	business practices meaning not adhering to a
24	not to answer.		
25		24	competitive, fair practice.

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1	anticompetitive, which is in the context of	1	MS. GOODMAN: Confidential information?
2	business practicing practices meaning "not	2	MR. MCBIRNEY: I'm sorry. Privileged
3	adhering to a competitive, fair practice," at	3	information.
4	this time, January 5th of 2023, were you aware	4	MS. GOODMAN: Thank you.
5	of any anticompetitive practices on the part of	5	THE WITNESS: I have no personal opinion
6	Google affecting the Army's advertising?	6	about attending a meeting. As a soldier, I
7	MR. MCBIRNEY: Object to the form of the	7	received an order. I do what I'm told.
8	question.	8	BY MS. GOODMAN:
9	THE WITNESS: I was not aware.	9	Q. Okay. From whom did you receive an
10	BY MS. GOODMAN:	10	order, if anyone?
11	Q. At the time of this discussion with the	11	A. From AEMO leadership.
12	DOJ, what was your understanding, if any, as to	12	Q. Who in AEMO leadership?
13	the possibility of litigation?	13	A. As best as I re can recall, the AEMO
14	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for	14	chief of staff.
15	privileged information. You can answer that	15	Q. Who's that?
16	question if you can answer it without divulging	16	A. Colonel Matt Weinrich.
17	any privileged information. If you cannot, then	17	Q. Why did Mr. Weinrich I'm sorry,
18	I'll instruct you not to answer.	18	Colonel Weinrich order you to participate in this
19	THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the	19	meeting?
20	question?	20	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for
21	BY MS. GOODMAN:	21	speculation.
22	Q. At the time of the discussion with DOJ	22	THE WITNESS: Yeah. I I can't answer
23	on or around January 5th, 2023, what was your	23	as to why he chose me.
24	understanding, if any, as to the possibility of	24	BY MS. GOODMAN:
25	litigation?	25	Q. Okay. Did he explain to you why he
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1	MR. MCBIRNEY: Same instruction. If	1	chose you?
2	you can answer that without disclosing privileged	2	A. No.
3	information, you may. Otherwise, I instruct you	3	Q. When did he order you to to
4	not to answer.	4	participate in these discussions?
5	THE WITNESS: None.	5	A. I can't recall a a specific date. As
6	BY MS. GOODMAN:	6	best as I can recall, it was via an email saying
7	Q. Around the time of this meeting	7	that there was going to be individuals who needed
8	strike that.	8	to ask questions and I should make myself
9	Around the time of these communications	9	available, but I don't remember when.
10	with the Department of Justice about Google-Meta	10	Q. Okay. Anything else you remember about
11	advertising products used by DOD, what were your	11	that email and what it said?
12	personal views on having to participate in those	12	A. No, I don't.
13	discussions?	13	Q. Did you have any discussions outside of
14	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague.	14	email with Colonel Weinrich about this request?
15	THE WITNESS: Can you clarify the	15	A. No.
16	question to the extent what was my personal view	16	Q. And setting aside the fact that you
17	of being involved in a meeting?	17	received an order to participate in discussions
	<i>5</i>	18	with the Department of Justice on this topic,
18	BY MS. GOODMAN:		1 ,
18			is it your testimony you had no personal view
18 19	Q. Yes. What was your personal view of	19	is it your testimony you had no personal view whatsoever as to your participation in such
18 19 20	Q. Yes. What was your personal view of being involved in a meeting or discussions with	19 20	whatsoever as to your participation in such
18 19 20 21	Q. Yes. What was your personal view of being involved in a meeting or discussions with the Antitrust Division about Google advertising	19 20 21	whatsoever as to your participation in such meetings?
18 19 20 21 22	Q. Yes. What was your personal view of being involved in a meeting or discussions with the Antitrust Division about Google advertising Meta advertising products used by DOD?	19 20 21 22	whatsoever as to your participation in such meetings?  MR. MCBIRNEY: Object to the form and
18 19 20 21	Q. Yes. What was your personal view of being involved in a meeting or discussions with the Antitrust Division about Google advertising	19 20 21	whatsoever as to your participation in such meetings?

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1	BY MS. GOODMAN:	1	Q. In 2023?
2	Q. Do you have any personal opinion	2	A. In 2023.
3	about your involvement in this in discussions	3	Q. Any other in-person meetings that you
4	setting aside just a meeting, but throughout	4	recall?
5	the month of January 2023, did you have any	5	A. No.
6	personal opinion about your involvement in	6	Q. So from January 5th, as we're seeing
7	discussions or information-gathering with	7	on this privilege log, to the present, how many
8	the Department of Justice at that time?	8	in-person face-to-face meetings have you had with
9	MR. MCBIRNEY: Object to form.	9	any lawyers from the Department of Justice?
10	THE WITNESS: No.	10	A. I'm sorry. Could you repeat the modes
11	MR. MCBIRNEY: Make sure you give me	11	once again, or the methods?
12	time to object.	12	Q. This question is specific to in-person,
13	BY MS. GOODMAN:	13	face-to-face meetings.
14	Q. Was anybody else, to your knowledge,	14	A. Okay. The one that we just mentioned
15	involved in discussions with the Department of	15	and then not again until yesterday.
16	Justice in and around March sorry, June	16	Q. Okay. How about video conferences?
17	January 5th, 2023, about the Army's use of	17	How many video conferences do you recall having
18	advertising products from Google or Meta?	18	with lawyers from the Antitrust Division of the
19	A. Yes.	19	Department of Justice in the year 2023?
20	Q. Who else?	20	A. Two.
21	A. The only other individual that I can	21	Q. When did those take place?
22	recall by name is Lieutenant Colonel Lennox	22	A. Within the last two weeks.
23	Morris.	23	Q. Who attended those meetings those
24	Q. And what was his involvement?	24	video conferences?
25	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for	25	A. Myself, Mr. Pritchett, Mr. Chu, Major
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1	speculation.	1	Al-Darsani. And there might have been another
2	THE WITNESS: Yeah. I wasn't in the	2	one or two in or out of the meeting at a
3	room during his discussion, so I don't know.	3	particular time, but I don't recall particularly
4	BY MS. GOODMAN:	4	who that was.
5	Q. Did he have separate discussions with	5	Q. Okay. How long did the video
6	the Department of Justice, to your knowledge?	6	conferences last?
7	A. They were separate from any discussion	7	A. Maybe two hours.
8	that I had.	8	Q. So so am I correct that you've had
9	Q. And were these discussions that you	9	two video conferences in the last two weeks that
10	had, were they over email, by phone, by Zoom, by	10	lasted approximately two hours with attorneys
11	Teams, what was the mode of communication?	11	from the Department of Justice? Is that a fair
12	A. Face-to-face.	12	summary?
13	Q. Face-to-face.	13	A. Yes.
14	And where face-to-face? In what town or	14	Q. Okay. Was that in connection with
15	city or	15	preparing for your deposition in this case?
16	A. In Chicago.	16	A. Yes.
17	Q. Okay. And were they at AEMO HQ?	17	Q. Did it cover topics related to this
18	A. That's correct.	18	litigation and this is a yes or no question
19	Q. And did Department of Justice lawyers	19	did it cover topics related to this litigation
20	travel to Chicago to attend?	20	other than your deposition?
21	A. Yes.	21	MR. MCBIRNEY: I'm going to object to
22	Q. Okay. What's your best recollection	22	that as privileged and instruct the witness not
23	of when that when a meeting at AEMO HQ took	23	to answer.
24	place?	24	MS. GOODMAN: Why is he permitted to
	A. Late winter.	25	answer about whether he had a meeting with you

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1	about your personal reactions to receiving	1	Q. So, Colonel Horning, I'll ask you again
2	an inquiry inquiry from the Department of	2	so that I can get an answer or your well, get
3	Justice, how did you view it? As a routine	3	a clean record, I should say.
4	request for information? As fact-gathering?	4	Has anybody at the Department of
5	What was your personal view of the nature of the	5	Justice asked you to get any information from
6	inquiry?	6	your advertising agency DDB?
7	MR. MCBIRNEY: Object to the form of the	7	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for
8	question and vague.	8	privileged communication. Instruct the witness
9	THE WITNESS: I viewed it as a routine	9	not to answer.
10	request for information.	10	BY MS. GOODMAN:
11	BY MS. GOODMAN:	11	Q. Are you following that instruction?
12	Q. Okay. Has the Department of Justice	12	A. Yes.
13	asked you to get information from the advertising	13	Q. Okay. Has anybody at the Department of
14	agency DDB?	14	Justice asked you to have any conversations with
15	MR. MCBIRNEY: Obj	15	any person from your advertising agency DDB?
16	BY MS. GOODMAN:	16	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for
17	Q. Yes or no.	17	privileged information. Instruct the witness not
18	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for	18	to answer.
19	privileged information. I instruct the witness	19	BY MS. GOODMAN:
20	not to answer.	20	Q. Are you following that instruction?
21	THE WITNESS: I'm not going to answer	21	A. Yes.
22	the question on advice of question.	22	Q. Okay. To your knowledge, has anybody
23	MS. GOODMAN: That question is	23	at the Department of Justice asked any other
24	completely proper because it goes to your	24	employee of AEMO to obtain information from the
25	assertion to which you bear a burden of proof and	25	advertising agency DDB?
1	Page 35 persuasion as to your claim of privilege.	1	Page 37 MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for
2	MR. MCBIRNEY: You are asking	2	privileged information. Instruct the witness not
3	the witness to disclose communications of a	3	to answer.
4	particularized nature from counsel, which is	4	BY MS. GOODMAN:
5	clearly work product. So that instruction is	5	Q. Are you following that instruction?
6	entirely proper, and I'm instructing the witness	6	A. Yes.
7	not to answer.	7	
8	BY MS. GOODMAN:	8	Q. To your knowledge, has anybody at the Department of Justice asked any other employee of
9	Q. Okay. Has the Department of Justice	9	AEMO to have any conversations with any person
10	anybody at the Department of Justice asked you	10	from the advertising agency DDB?
11	to participate in any conversations with your	11	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for
12	advertising agency?	12	privileged information, and instruct the witness
13		13	
14	MR. MCBIRNEY: Same objection. Instruct the witness not to answer.	14	not to answer. BY MS. GOODMAN:
15	You are asking the witness for	15	Q. Are you following that instruction?
16	particular communications from counsel.	16	A. Yes.
17	MS. GOODMAN: No. They're very	17	Q. Are you aware of any investigation by
18	generalized communications. We've talked about	18	the Department of Justice into Google?
19		19	
	the term "information" being very generalized.		MR. MCBIRNEY: You can answer that yes
20	MR. MCBIRNEY: Even if they're	20	or no.
21	generalized, they're communications from counsel.	21	THE WITNESS: Yes.
22	MS. GOODMAN: Of the kind that appear on	22	BY MS. GOODMAN:
23	privilege log. This is exactly what you have to	23	Q. When did you first become aware of that
24	put on a privilege log.	24	investigation?
25	BY MS. GOODMAN:	25	MR. MCBIRNEY: I'm going to instruct the

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1	witness that if you can answer that question	1	A. Yes.
2	without disclosing privileged information you may	2	Q. When did you receive a litigation hold,
3	do so. If you cannot, then I instruct you not to	3	if any?
4	answer.	4	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Assumes
5	THE WITNESS: I'm not going to answer	5	facts not in evidence and calls for privileged
6	that question on the advice of counsel.	6	information. Instruct the witness not to answer.
7	BY MS. GOODMAN:	7	BY MS. GOODMAN:
8	Q. Okay. Prior to late winter 2023, as	8	Q. Are you following that instruction?
9	we've discussed, had anybody from anyone within	9	A. Yes.
10	the government reached out to you inquiring about	10	Q. Who sent you a litigation hold, if any?
11	the Army's digital advertising purchases?	11	MR. MCBIRNEY: Same objections.
12	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague and	12	Instruct the witness not to answer.
13	instruct the witness that if you can answer	13	BY MS. GOODMAN:
14	that question without disclosing privileged	14	Q. Are you following that instruction?
15	information, you may do so. If you cannot,	15	A. Yes.
16	then I instruct the witness not to answer.	16	Q. When did you first become aware that
17	THE WITNESS: I don't recall any	17	your participation in this lawsuit would be re
18	communication previous to what we already	18	necessary?
19	discussed.	19	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Assumes facts
20	BY MS. GOODMAN:	20	not in evidence. Vague.
21	Q. Okay. And how about prior to late	21	THE WITNESS: I first became aware that
22	winter 2023, did you have any outreach from	22	I would be a participant within the last two
23	anybody within the United States government about	23	weeks.
24	any anticompetitive conduct on the part of Google	24	BY MS. GOODMAN:
25	affecting the United States Army? And when I use	25	Q. Prior to the last two weeks, have you
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1	the word anticompetitive, I'm using your	1	assisted anybody in the Department of Justice
2	definition?	2	with gathering information related to this
3	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague.	3	litigation?
4	Instruct the witness that if you can answer	4	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague and
5	that question without disclosing privileged	5	calls for privileged information. Instruct the
6	communication you may do so. If not, I instruct	6	witness not to answer.
7	the witness not to answer.	7	BY MS. GOODMAN:
8	THE WITNESS: I cannot recall a	8	Q. Have you gathered any information in
9	time prior to then when anyone from the U.S.	9	order to provide discovery to Google in this
10	government reached out to me on any topic related	10	litigation?
11	to any practice of any vendor or company involved	11	MR. MCBIRNEY: You can answer that yes
12	in advertising.	12	or no.
13	BY MS. GOODMAN:	13	THE WITNESS: No.
14	Q. And that includes Google?	14	BY MS. GOODMAN:
15	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague.	15	Q. Are you aware one way or another if your
16	THE WITNESS: My recollection, as	16	emails have been searched or produced to Google?
17	previously stated, would include Google.	17	MR. MCBIRNEY: You can answer.
18	BY MS. GOODMAN:	18	THE WITNESS: I'm not aware if it has or
19	Q. Okay. Have you received a litigation	19	has not occurred.
20	hold?	20	BY MS. GOODMAN:
21	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for	21	Q. Okay. Do you recall providing any
22	privileged information. Instruct the witness not	22	information for the purpose of answering written
23	to answer.	23	questions called interrogatories in this
24	BY MS. GOODMAN:	24	litigation?
25	Q. Are you following that instruction?	25	MR. MCBIRNEY: Ob you can answer that

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1	question if you can do so without disclosing	1	speculation.
2	privileged information. If not, I instruct the	2	THE WITNESS: It's not part of my normal
3	witness not to answer.	3	duties. I'm not a I'm not a lawyer. I'm not
4	THE WITNESS: Can you restate the	4	normally involved in legal matters.
5	question?	5	BY MS. GOODMAN:
6	BY MS. GOODMAN:	6	Q. Okay. What is your understanding of the
7	Q. Do you recall providing any information	7	Army's role in this lawsuit?
8	for the purpose of answering written questions	8	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague.
9	called interrogatories in this litigation?	9	You can answer the question if you can do so
10	A. I do not recall.	10	without disclosing privileged information. If
11	Q. Okay. What's your understanding of what	11	you cannot, then I'd instruct you not to answer.
12	this lawsuit is about?	12	THE WITNESS: I'm not sure that I
13	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague.	13	understand, within the context of how these
14	Instruct the witness you can answer that question	14	lawsuits may or may not work, what the Army's
15	if you can do so without disclosing privileged	15	role actually is other than I'm here providing a
16	information. Otherwise, I'd instruct you not to	16	deposition.
17	answer.	17	BY MS. GOODMAN:
18	THE WITNESS: I don't know that I have a	18	Q. Okay. Is there any other other than
19	full legal understanding of of the issues at	19	your role in providing a deposition, is there any
20	play to say that I know what the lawsuit is	20	other purpose to your understanding for the
21	actually about.	21	Army's involvement in this lawsuit?
22	BY MS. GOODMAN:	22	MR. MCBIRNEY: Again, objection;
23	Q. Okay. Do you have any understanding	23	vague. If you can answer that question without
24	of the issues in play to have any level of	24	disclosing privileged information, you may do so.
25	understanding whatsoever about what the lawsuit	25	If you cannot, I instruct you not to answer.
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1	is about?	1	THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. The question
2	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague and same	2	was a little bit hard for me to understand. Can
3	instruction. You can answer if you can do so	3	you can you restate it?
4	without disclosing privileged information.	4	BY MS. GOODMAN:
5	THE WITNESS: I can only make	5	Q. Sure. Other than your providing a
6	assumptions.	6	deposition, are you aware of any other role that
7	BY MS. GOODMAN:	7	the Army has in this lawsuit?
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8	Q. What do you mean by that?	8	MR. MCBIRNEY: Same objection. Sam
8 9	<ul><li>Q. What do you mean by that?</li><li>A. I can make an assumption based on</li></ul>	9	MR. MCBIRNEY: Same objection. Sam instruction.
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9	A. I can make an assumption based on	9	
9 10	A. I can make an assumption based on your inquiry to me if I understand the word	9 10	instruction.  THE WITNESS: I'm not aware.
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1	A. Mm-hmm.	1	A. Mr. Mavridis is the acting chief in the
2	Q you had no understanding one way or	2	interim.
3	another if a lawsuit had been filed?	3	Q. Who is the former who retired?
4	A. That is correct.	4	A. Major General Alex Fink.
5	Q. Okay. Who, if anybody, have you	5	Q. And who is the incoming who has not yet
6	discussed your participation in this lawsuit	6	arrived?
7	with?	7	A. Brigadier General Gant.
8	A. My supervisors and peers at the	8	Q. okay. Colonel Weinrich, what did you
9	office, the Department of Justice team, and one	9	discuss with him about this lawsuit?
10	individual from my ad agency.	10	MR. MCBIRNEY: Caution the witness in
11	Q. Let's start at the top. Who which	11	all of these responses not to disclose privileged
12	supervisors and peers at the office have you	12	information.
13	discussed your participation in this lawsuit	13	THE WITNESS: The same as with
14	with?	14	Mr. Mavridis as it was all the attendees at the
15	A. Mr. Mavridis, the current acting chief;	15	same meeting; essentially, that I was going to
16	Colonel Weinrich, the chief of staff; Sergeant	16	need to be traveling on temporary duty to attend
17	Major Alexander, the command sergeant major;	17	these proceedings.
18	Colonel Shannon Johnson. Colonel Erica Iverson.	18	BY MS. GOODMAN:
19	And, perhaps, another person that I don't I	19	Q. Okay. Any other conversations you had
20	can't recall if they may have been in a room or	20	with Mr. Rein Weinrich about sorry, Colonel
21	in a meeting at the time or not.	21	Weinrich, about this lawsuit?
22	Q. And who is the other person that	22	A. No.
23	A. I I I can't recall their I	23	Q. Any conversations you recall with
24	don't	24	Mr Colonel Weinrich about the Department of
25	Q. Oh, you don't know their name?	25	Justice's investigation?
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1	A. I don't want to state factually that	1	A. I don't recall having any conversations
2	there were or were not and then maybe, perhaps,	2	about that with him.
3	another person. I can't recall. Those are the	3	Q. Okay. How about with Mr. Mavridis,
4	individuals that I can't recall specifically.	4	any conversations with him about the DOJ's
5	Q. Mr. Mavridis, the acting chief, what did	5	investigation?
6	you discuss with him?	6	A. None that I can recall.
7	A. That I would be out of the office TDY in	7	Q. Okay. Command Sergeant Major Alexander,
8	order to be here today.	8	what conversations, if any, about your
9	Q. What is "TDY"?	9	participation in this lawsuit have you had
10	A. Temporary duty.	10	with that individual?
1.1	Q. What else, if anything, did you discuss	11	A. Again, only that I would be out of
11	6, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11, 1	1	
12	with him about your	12	office traveling to participate in these
12	with him about your	12	office traveling to participate in these
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1	of Justice's investigation?	1	Q. Okay. And what did you discuss with
2	A. None that I recall.	2	Lieutenant Colonel Morris about the Department of
3	Q. Okay. Colonel Iverson, what	3	Justice's investigation?
4	conversations, if any, have you had with this	4	MR. MCBIRNEY: You can answer that
5	individual about your participation in this	5	question if you can do so without disclosing
6	lawsuit?	6	privileged information. If not, I instruct you
7	A. Only that I would be traveling to	7	not to answer.
8	Washington, D.C., for these because she's	8	THE WITNESS: The only conversation that
9	stationed here and we might get together	9	I can recall would have been on or around the
10	following proceedings.	10	time of the email and/or meetings as described
11	Q. Was she in the meeting that you	11	on Page 11 of this privilege log where we
12	described earlier where this was your your	12	both shared with each other that we would be
13	needing to be on TDY was discussed?	13	participating in a discussion with Department of
14	A. It's possible, but I don't recall	14	Justice.
15	specifically.	15	BY MS. GOODMAN:
16	Q. Okay. So do you have a a separate	16	Q. Okay. Anything else you recall about
17	recollection of a conversation with Colonel	17	that conversation?
18	Iverson on your participation in this lawsuit?	18	A. No.
19	A. I do.	19	Q. How about with Glenna Wood, have you had
20	Q. Okay. When did that occur?	20	any conversations with her about the Department
21	A. Within the last week.	21	of Justice's investigation?
22	Q. Okay. Have you seen Colonel Iverson	22	A. No.
23	while you've been here in Washington?	23	Q. Have you had any conversations with
24	A. Not yet.	24	Glenna Wood about your participation in this
25	Q. Are you planning to?	25	lawsuit?
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1	A. Yes.	1	A. No.
2	Q. Okay. Do you plan to discuss your	2	Q. Have you had any conversations with
3	participation in this lawsuit when you meet with	3	Major Austin DZ, whose last name I will not
4	Colonel Iverson?	4	attempt to pronounce, about the Department of
5	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for	5	Justice's investigation?
6	speculation.	6	A. No.
7	THE WITNESS: Don't have any plans to	7	Q. Have you had any conversations with
8	talk about it.	8	
9		0	Major DZ about your par your participation in
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1	involvement in this lawsuit?	1	MR. MCBIRNEY: Caution the witness you
2	A. No.	2	can answer that question if you can do so without
3	Q. Have you had any communications with	3	disclosing privileged communication.
4	Major Daniel Flynn about the Department of	4	THE WITNESS: That I would be traveling
5	Justice's investigation?	5	and unable to attend our typical weekly
6	A. No.	6	directors' meeting.
7	Q. Have you had any communications with	7	BY MS. GOODMAN:
8	Major Daniel Flynn about your participation in	8	Q. How did you let her know that?
9	this lawsuit?	9	A. I don't recall. I don't recall the
10	A. Only that I would be traveling TDY.	10	exact means now.
11	Major Flynn now is one of the individuals that	11	Q. Okay. Any conversations with
12	reports to me, so to let him know I would be out	12	Ms. Springer strike that.
13	of office.	13	Any communications with Ms. Springer
14	Q. And was he in the meeting that	14	about the Department of Justice's investigation?
15	A. He was not.	15	A. No.
16	Q. Okay. When did you let him know you	16	Q. Any conver communications with
17	would be out of office?	17	Ms. Springer about the Army's digital advertising
18	A. As best I can recall, late last week or	18	purchases using Google products or services?
19	early this week.	19	A. None that I can recall.
20	Q. Have you had any conversations with	20	Q. Have you spoken with Chris Pultorak at
21	Major Lee-Ann Craig about the Department of	21	DDB about your participation in this lawsuit?
22	Justice's investigation?	22	A. No.
23	A. No.	23	Q. Have you spoken with Maria or have
24	Q. Have you had any conversation	24	you communicated with Maria Stuckel about your
25	communications with Major Lee-Ann Craig about	25	participation in this lawsuit?
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1	your participation in this lawsuit?	1	A. No.
2	A. No.	2	Q. Have you communicated with Ron Davis
3	Q. Of the individuals that we've gone	3	about your participation in this lawsuit?
4	over	4	A. No.
5	A. Mm-hmm.	5	Q. Have you communicated with any of
6	Q who at AEMO, have you had any	6	those three individuals about the Department of
7	conver communications with any of them about	7	Justice's investigation?
8	the Army's purchases of digital advertising from	8	A. No.
9	Google in 2023?	9	Q. Have you communicated with any of those
10	MR. MCBIRNEY: You can answer that	10	three individuals about the Army's purchases of
11	question if you can do so without disclosing	11	digital ads using Google products or services?
12	privileged information. If not, then I instruct	12	A. No.
13	you not to answer.	13	Q. Are there any other individuals at
14	THE WITNESS: None that I can recall.	14	DDB who you communicated with about your
	BY MS. GOODMAN:	15	participation in this lawsuit?
15		16	A. I'm sorry. Can can you say that
15 16	Q. Okay. You mentioned that you've spoken		
	Q. Okay. You mentioned that you've spoken or communicated with an individual at DDB about	17	again? I I didn't quite make out the first
16			again? I I didn't quite make out the first part of the question.
16 17	or communicated with an individual at DDB about	17	
16 17 18	or communicated with an individual at DDB about your participation in this lawsuit. Do you	17 18	part of the question.  Q. Can you recall any other individual at
16 17 18 19	or communicated with an individual at DDB about your participation in this lawsuit. Do you recall that?	17 18 19	part of the question.  Q. Can you recall any other individual at  DDB with whom you've communicated about your
16 17 18 19 20	or communicated with an individual at DDB about your participation in this lawsuit. Do you recall that?  A. Yes.  Q. Who is that individual?	17 18 19 20	part of the question.  Q. Can you recall any other individual at
16 17 18 19 20 21 22	or communicated with an individual at DDB about your participation in this lawsuit. Do you recall that?  A. Yes. Q. Who is that individual? A. Ms. Holly Springer.	17 18 19 20 21 22	part of the question.  Q. Can you recall any other individual at DDB with whom you've communicated about your participation in this lawsuit?  A. No.
16 17 18 19 20 21	or communicated with an individual at DDB about your participation in this lawsuit. Do you recall that?  A. Yes.  Q. Who is that individual?	17 18 19 20 21	part of the question.  Q. Can you recall any other individual at DDB with whom you've communicated about your participation in this lawsuit?

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1	A. I cannot.	1	participate? No human did that?
2	Q. Are there any other individuals at	2	MR. MCBIRNEY: Object to form.
3	DDB who you recall communicating with about the	3	THE WITNESS: My best recollection
4	Army's purchases of digital ads using Google	4	is receiving a notice from Mr. Chase that Google
5	products or services?	5	had requested me, and my understanding of the
6	A. I don't recall any.	6	communication was that the government was
7	Q. Okay. If you had a choice, would you be	7	required to produce me because of the request.
8	participating in this lawsuit?	8	And so I'm not aware of there being either a need
9	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague. And	9	or a specific "someone ordering me." I
10	calls for speculation.	10	understood my duty as to comply and make myself
11	THE WITNESS: I I don't have a	11	available to to Google's request that I be
12	choice.	12	here.
13	BY MS. GOODMAN:	13	BY MS. GOODMAN:
14	Q. Okay. I'm asking if you had a choice,	14	Q. Okay. And in providing that answer, are
15	would you personally wish to be here today?	15	you relying on communications that you had with
16	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for	16	the Department of Justice?
17	speculation and vague.	17	A. I am.
18	THE WITNESS: Yeah. I don't I don't	18	MS. GOODMAN: So those communications he
19	know that I have an an answer to that. I	19	can testify to but none other?
20	can't speculate what would happen if I had the	20	MR. MCBIRNEY: That he was told to
21	option, as I don't have the option.	21	comply he had to comply with a deposition notice?
22	BY MS. GOODMAN:	22	Sure.
23	Q. What's your understanding as to why you	23	MS. GOODMAN: You're
24	don't have the option?	24	BY MS. GOODMAN:
25	A. Because I'm in the Army and the	25	Q. If to your knowledge, will the United
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1	government has directed me to participate in this	1	Page 61 States request your attendance at any trial in
2	and that's my duty.	2	this matter?
3	Q. And when you say, "the government has	3	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for
4	directed you to participate in this," who in the	4	speculation.
5	government has directed your participation?	5	THE WITNESS: I don't know the answer to
6	A. I don't know that I can answer that	6	that.
7	specifically.	7	BY MS. GOODMAN:
8	Q. Can you answer it generally?	8	Q. Have you had any discussions with
9	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague.	9	anybody about your participation at a trial in
10	THE WITNESS: No.	10	this matter?
11	BY MS. GOODMAN:	11	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. You can
12	Q. Do you have any knowledge of who	12	answer that if it does not disclose
13	within the Army agreed to participate in this	13	communications with counsel.
14	litigation?	14	THE WITNESS: I have not.
15	A. I don't have any knowledge of that.	15	BY MS. GOODMAN:
16	Q. Okay. And you have no knowledge of who	16	Q. Okay. Have you discussed this lawsuit
17	in the government has directed your participation	17	with any individual from a state attorney general
18	in this litigation. Is that a fair summary?	18	office?
19	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Asked and	19	A. I have not.
20	answered.	20	Q. Have you discussed an investigation of
20	THE WITNESS: Yeah. I personally do not	20	Google's digital advertising business with any
22		22	individual from a state attorney general office?
23	know. BY MS. GOODMAN:	23	A. I have not.
23		23	A. I have not.     Q. Have you discussed the Army's purchases
	Q. Okay. So you don't know nobody		
25	nobody came to you and said you're required to	25	of digital ads using Google products or services

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1	with any individual from a state attorney general	1	Q. Okay. And during that time period of
2	office?	2	September '99 through May 2004, is it accurate
3	A. I have not.	3	you worked at Proctor & Gam Proctor & Gamble
4	MS. GOODMAN: Shall we take a break?	4	and Warsteiner USA?
5	MR. MCBIRNEY: Sure.	5	A. That is correct.
6	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Going off the record.	6	Q. Are there any other places you worked in
7	The time is 10:47.	7	that time period?
8	(Recess taken.)	8	A. I was also self-employed for a short
9	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Going back on the	9	period of time coaching high school lacrosse.
10	record. The time is 11:12.	10	Q. What did you do at Proctor & Gamble?
11	BY MS. GOODMAN:	11	A. I was an assistant brand manager.
12	Q. Colonel, what's your title well,	12	Q. What did your job duties entail as
13	funny question, isn't it?	13	assistant brand manager at Proctor & Gamble?
14	Colonel, what is your role at the Army	14	A. Developing marketing plans for Cheer
15	Enterprise Marketing Office?	15	laundry detergent, and also working in new
16	A. I am the director for the strategy,	16	business development investigating the
17	innovation and data directorate.	17	possibility of new product launches.
18	Q. How long have you held held that	18	Q. As an assistant brand manager for
19	role?	19	Cheer, what role did you have in determining an
20	A. Since June 1st of 2022.	20	advertising strategy for that product?
21	Q. And prior to June 1st of 2022, what	21	A. I was part of a a small team that
22	was your role at the Army Enterprise Marketing	22	developed the overall marketing plan for Cheer.
23	Office?	23	And so my contributions, as any other member
24	A. I was the director for marketing	24	of the team, would have been research with the
25	execution.	25	consumer, understanding market penetration, share
1	Page 63 Q. And how long did you hold that role?	1	Page 65 data, and then developing plans as to how we
2	A. I was in that position from,	2	might, you know, grow share or or improve the
3	approximately, 8th of July through 31 May	3	business overall.
4	correction. 8th of July 2021 through 8th	4	Q. Did you have any role in determining
5	of 31st of May 2022.	5	what advertising tactics to use?
6	Q. And prior to the 8th of July 2021, did	6	A. Yes.
7	you work at the Army Enterprise Marketing Office?	7	Q. Okay. Can you describe that for me,
8	A. I did not.	8	your role in that regard?
9	Q. Okay. Were you active duty during that	9	A. My role was, I think, primarily as
10	time	10	a as a contributor, again, to a a team
11	A. Yes.	11	effort in either the development of a specific
12	Q elsewhere?	12	creative materials. Also, at that time, I had
13	And you took a break in service to work	13	led a small project to develop a a Cheer
14	in the private sector. Is that accurate?	14	website. And then I also handled a lot of, like,
15	A. That's correct.	15	promotional activities from the standpoint of
16	Q. When did you do that?	16	coupons, and things like that, that are common in
17	A. That was end of September 1999 through,	17	that category.
18	on or about, May 31st, 2004.	18	Q. In this time period of 1999 to 2004,
19	Q. Okay. Why did you decide to take a	19	what advertising channels did you consider in
20	break in active service between September 1999	20	your role as assistant brand manager for
20	and May 31st, 2004?	20	promoting Cheer?
22	A. Because at that time in my then short	22	A. At that time, primarily TV. But also
23	period on active duty, I had three deployments	23	magazine, print, coupons, which would typically
23	already, all in in Yugoslavia, and I was	23	be delivered in in Sunday papers and out of
25	looking for something different.	25	home. And then, again, as I said, the

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1	development of our of our own website. There	1	participation, like the local city Octoberfest
2	there may have been other channels considered,	2	or or that nature of that nature of thing.
3	but this far along I I don't recall which	3	And then packaging redesign is one of the things
4	others those might have been.	4	that we did.
5	Q. Okay. Were any digital channels other	5	Q. Did you consider any digital advertising
6	than developing a website considered at that	6	strategies in your role as brand manager for
7	time?	7	Wa Warsteiner Importers?
8	A. I don't recall there being any other	8	A. Not particularly. I think that once I
9	digital channels really available to be a part of	9	got there and found the the president was
10	the plan at that point.	10	a former route salesman, who had ascended to the
11	Q. And what what time period did you	11	position, that his focus ended up being much more
12	work at Proctor & Gamble as a assistant brand	12	on what are we doing in the bar than than I
13	manager?	13	had maybe been led to believe. And so there
14	A. From September of '99. May of 2002.	14	wasn't a lot of advertising in the sense of what
15	I I'm not entirely certain, but it would have	15	someone who's involved in brand management might
16	been on or around then.	16	be familiar with, and it was more along the lines
17	Q. Okay. Why did you leave Proctor &	17	of his interest in on-premise promotions.
18	Gamble?	18	Q. Okay. And what when did you leave
19	A. I had an opportunity to pursue a brand	19	that job?
20	manager position at Warsteiner Importers.	20	A. Perhaps February or March of the
21	Q. Okay. And what were your job duties as	21	next year. I I can't I can't recall
22	a brand manager at Warsteiner Importers?	22	specifically.
23	A. It was to develop basic marketing plans	23	Q. Do you think it was you were in that
24	for a line of beers that Warsteiner Importers	24	job for less than a year?
25	imported into the United States.	25	A. Perhaps less than full 12 months. That
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1	Q. Which line of beers?	1	might be accurate.
2	A. Warsteiner. König Ludwig. Two others	2	Q. Okay.
3	that, frankly, escape my mind right now. They	3	A. I can't recall that for sure.
4	were all part of the same brewery operation,	4	Q. And so then were you self-employed
5	though, in Germany, so they were all,	5	in between leaving that job at Warsteiner and
6	essentially, part of the same family of of	6	May 31st, 2004?
7	brands.	7	A. That's correct.
8	Q. And what role did you have with respect	8	Q. Okay. In the time period between May
9	to determining the advertising strategy for those	9	31st, 2004, and when you joined AEMO in July of
10	beer brands?	10	2021, did you have any job responsibilities
11	A. Mm-hmm. I had a role in making	11	related to marketing or advertising?
12	recommendations to the president; however, what	12	A. No.
13	I found was it was primarily primarily the	13	Q. Okay. In that time period, what were
13	1 found was it was primarily primarily the	13	
14	president's desired strategy was around	14	your principal job responsibilities in the United
14	president's desired strategy was around on-premise promotional activities, and so there	14	your principal job responsibilities in the United States Army?
14 15	president's desired strategy was around on-premise promotional activities, and so there were only a few what we would might, you know,	14 15	your principal job responsibilities in the United States Army?  A. That's a very broad time period. Can
14 15 16	president's desired strategy was around on-premise promotional activities, and so there were only a few what we would might, you know, consider typical advertising, actually.	14 15 16	your principal job responsibilities in the United States Army?  A. That's a very broad time period. Can you be more specific?
14 15 16 17 18	president's desired strategy was around on-premise promotional activities, and so there were only a few what we would might, you know, consider typical advertising, actually.  Q. And of the few kinds of typical	14 15 16 17 18	your principal job responsibilities in the United States Army?  A. That's a very broad time period. Can you be more specific?  Q. What did you do during that time period
14 15 16 17 18 19	president's desired strategy was around on-premise promotional activities, and so there were only a few what we would might, you know, consider typical advertising, actually.  Q. And of the few kinds of typical advertising, what were they, that you worked on?	14 15 16 17 18 19	your principal job responsibilities in the United States Army?  A. That's a very broad time period. Can you be more specific?  Q. What did you do during that time period for the Army?
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	president's desired strategy was around on-premise promotional activities, and so there were only a few what we would might, you know, consider typical advertising, actually.  Q. And of the few kinds of typical advertising, what were they, that you worked on?  A. There was there was a promotional	14 15 16 17 18 19 20	your principal job responsibilities in the United States Army?  A. That's a very broad time period. Can you be more specific?  Q. What did you do during that time period for the Army?  A. I had many jobs during that time period
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	president's desired strategy was around on-premise promotional activities, and so there were only a few what we would might, you know, consider typical advertising, actually.  Q. And of the few kinds of typical advertising, what were they, that you worked on?  A. There was there was a promotional event around the Western Southern Tennis Open.	14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	your principal job responsibilities in the United States Army?  A. That's a very broad time period. Can you be more specific?  Q. What did you do during that time period for the Army?  A. I had many jobs during that time period over many locations, as a typical Army officer in
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	president's desired strategy was around on-premise promotional activities, and so there were only a few what we would might, you know, consider typical advertising, actually.  Q. And of the few kinds of typical advertising, what were they, that you worked on?  A. There was there was a promotional event around the Western Southern Tennis Open.  So it was some sponsorship, along with some TV	14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	your principal job responsibilities in the United States Army?  A. That's a very broad time period. Can you be more specific?  Q. What did you do during that time period for the Army?  A. I had many jobs during that time period over many locations, as a typical Army officer in the Armor and Cavalry branch in typical career
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	president's desired strategy was around on-premise promotional activities, and so there were only a few what we would might, you know, consider typical advertising, actually.  Q. And of the few kinds of typical advertising, what were they, that you worked on?  A. There was there was a promotional event around the Western Southern Tennis Open.	14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	your principal job responsibilities in the United States Army?  A. That's a very broad time period. Can you be more specific?  Q. What did you do during that time period for the Army?  A. I had many jobs during that time period over many locations, as a typical Army officer in

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1	jobs you had during that time period?	1	advertising or brand management classes?
2	A. I I was a company commander. I was	2	A. No.
3	a battalion assistant staff officer. I was a	3	Q. So is it fair to say that
4	battalion operations officer. I was a brigade	4	A. Let me make a correction. There was a
5	operations officer. I was an OC at JMRC. I	5	class I don't remember the exact title, but
6	was a student in the Commanding General Staff	6	there was an elective opportunity to be in a
7	College. I was a squadron executive officer. I	7	class that talked about, more or less, recruiting
8	was a chief of plans. I was squadron commander.	8	in the Army. I don't know that it was I as
9	I was an OC at the JRTC. I was a student at the	9	a student and a participant then, I wouldn't say
10	Army War College. And then, eventually at AEMO.	10	it was truly a marketing class, but it was at
11	And at the very beginning of that time I was a	11	least related.
12	member of the Ohio Army National Guard.	12	Q. How did you come to obtain your position
13	Q. What's the JMRC?	13	as the director of marketing execution in July of
14	A. The Joint Multinational Readiness	14	2021 at AEMO?
15	Center.	15	A. In summer of 2019, as I was moving from
16	Q. What is the JRTC?	16	Fort Stewart to Fort Polk, leaving squadron
17	A. The Joint Readiness Training Center.	17	command to take on the assignment as the Senior
18	Q. What does an OC mean?	18	Calvary OC at JRTC, I received a call from an
19	A. That's an observer/controller. It's	19	individual I had known from a previous
20	an individual who observes/controls training	20	assignment, Greg Campion, who worked in the
21	exercises and also teaches or trains your peer	21	Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and
22	to help Army units improve in their tactical	22	Reserve Affairs Office, saying that they were
23	abilities and operations.	23	beginning a new office and they had reviewed the
24	Q. Okay. What did you study at the general	24	information in my soldier record brief and and
25	staff college the Commanding General Staff	25	resume within the Army's personnel data systems
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1	College?	1	and asked if I would be interested. And I had
2	A. I pursued the typical standard course of	2	just arrived at JRTC, and we were just about to
3	study along with some added emphasis in history	3	start a rotation; and my departure would have
4	and in the Balkan Region.	4	left the organization short-handed. And I was a
5	Q. What is the typical course of study	5	classmate of my boss and didn't want to leave him
6	offered at the Commanding General Staff College?	6	hanging so I said I politely declined. I'm
7	A. There are courses in history,	7	here at JRTC; I need to stay here; you should
8	in leadership, in defense processes, in	8	have called me a couple months ago.
9	operational-level tactics and maneuvers. And	9	Then later that year, same calendar
10	there are some elective courses, as well, that	10	year, 2019 December, if I recall correctly, the
11	you can take advantage of.	11	Army published a MLPR, which is a I don't
12	Q. Did you take any classes with respect to	12	know the exact military personnel notice that
13	marketing or advertising?	13	the Army was establishing a new functional area,
14	A. No.	14	Functional Area 58, Marketing and Behavioral
15	Q. When you were a student at the Army War	15	Economics; and that officers who met the basic
16	College, what did you study?	16	application requirements were encouraged to
17	A. I also took the standard course of	17	apply.
18	the standard offering.	18	I spoke with my family about it and went
19	Q. Which is what?	19	ahead and put an application in, went through the
20	A. Classes in history. Classes in	20	application process. Was eventually selected and
21	leadership. Classes in defense processes. Some	21	notified, and then I was actually changed in my
22	elective classes. I can't recall all the the	22	branch from Armor to Functional Area 58; however,
23	name or title of every class, but those are all	23	I was going to the War College still. And as far
24	what every student predominantly takes.	24	as being assigned to the position as I finished
25		25	
23	Q. Did you take any marketing or	43	War College, I was just assigned the position by

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1	1600 today unless you object," would it be your	1	plan?
2	normal practice by this time to have already	2	A. I don't recall a specific time where I
3	consulted with Major Morris and concurred with	3	did not agree with a recommendation.
4	his recommendation as reflected here?	4	Q. Okay. Can we go back to Exhibit 63,
5	MR. MCBIRNEY: Object to form.	5	please?
6	THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. I could you	6	A. Mm-hmm.
7	repeat that?	7	Q. And I would like to direct your
8	BY MS. GOODMAN:	8	attention to Page
9	Q. Yeah. Let me ask it a bit differently.	9	A. I'm sorry. Do you mean 62?
10	A. Okay.	10	Q. I'm sorry. Yes. Yes.
11	Q. With when he says, "We concur with their	11	Page 390.
12	recommendation,"	12	A. Okay.
13	A. Mm-hmm.	13	Q. And you see the first subline beginning
14	Q based on your practices with respect	14	Investment Approaching Key Selection Criteria?
15	to consulting with Major Morris, are you included	15	A. Yes, ma'am.
16	in the "we"?	16	Q. Okay. Now I just want to turn to the
17	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for	17	next page where it discusses that in more depth.
18	speculation.	18	Based on your review of this slide and your role
19	THE WITNESS: Based on the addressee,	19	as the director of marketing execution, do you
20	the addresser, no. We I infer Major Morris	20	understand this slide to be depicting DDB's
21	then Major Morris's email to indicate his	21	efforts at finding partners for the Army's
22	team, composed of Major Nelson, himself and Major	22	advertising?
23	Flynn; that that is the "we," the paid media	23	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; foundation.
24	team.	24	THE WITNESS: I interpret this slide to
25	BY MS. GOODMAN:	25	be a layout of what the paid media team has
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1	Q. And all those individuals on the cc	1	determined to be five evaluation criteria and
2	line, are they all part of the paid media team?	2	then how collectively the paid media team and
3	A. At that time that this was written,	3	contractor at DDB has assessed each of these
4	Major Nelson was, Major Flynn was, Major	4	various vendors as aligning with the evaluation
5	Dziengelewski was not, but he is the he was	5	criteria.
6	the data and performance. And that actually,	6	BY MS. GOODMAN:
7	at that time I believe he was still the CPH lead.	7	Q. I see. And to the right you see it says
8	Q. I see. But as CPH lead, he had a role	8	"40-plus"?
9	with respect to analyzing performance and making	9	A. I do.
10	recommendations for optimizations. Is that a	10	Q. And that means that DDB evaluated mor
11	fair	11	than 40 vendors according to these criteria. Is
12	A. At that time in his role in that	12	that accurate?
13	position was directly with the MMM production.	13	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; foundation
14	Q. Okay. How do you say his last name	14	THE WITNESS: Yeah. I don't know the
15	again?	15	answer to that. It's unclear to me what the
	A. Dziengelewski.	16	"40-plus" refers to on this slide.
16	Q. Dziengelewski. He also goes by Major	17	BY MS. GOODMAN:
16 17	Q. Dzieligelewski. He also goes by Majoi		Q. Okay.
	DZ?	18	
17	DZ?	18	A. The five is clear. The 40-plus is not
17 18	DZ? A. He goes by Major DZ, because he feels		A. The five is clear. The 40-plus is not clear to me.
17 18 19 20	DZ?  A. He goes by Major DZ, because he feels most people can't pronounce it in proper Russian,	19 20	clear to me.
17 18 19 20 21	DZ?  A. He goes by Major DZ, because he feels most people can't pronounce it in proper Russian, which he's probably correct.	19 20 21	clear to me.  Q. Under the box Getting Us To Goal,
17 18 19 20 21 22	DZ?  A. He goes by Major DZ, because he feels most people can't pronounce it in proper Russian, which he's probably correct.  Q. Yes.	19 20 21 22	clear to me.  Q. Under the box Getting Us To Goal, where it says cross-platform scalability
17 18 19 20 21	DZ?  A. He goes by Major DZ, because he feels most people can't pronounce it in proper Russian, which he's probably correct.	19 20 21	clear to me.  Q. Under the box Getting Us To Goal,

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1	THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Which box?	1	Q. What's your view?
2	Oh, is that the large box?	2	A. Search has been a positive performer in
3	BY MS. GOODMAN:	3	lead-generation.
4	Q. Yeah. Getting Us To Goal.	4	Q. Okay. Same question as to YouTube.
5	A. I understand the word scalability.	5	A. I don't know that I have a positive
6	I would probably have to ask the briefer what	6	or negative assessment of YouTube, other than I
7	they mean by "cross-platform scalability."	7	understand that there's quite a bit of traffic
8	Q. Okay. Looking at the evaluation	8	and we've assessed its inclusion as a channel
9	criteria, do you have a view with respect to	9	even separate, that's why there's YouTube and
10	Google's performance on the first item for on	10	non-YouTube video, because of just quantity of
11	the first criteria, Army Brand and Audience	11	of views or impressions. So my assessment or
12	Alignment?	12	impression formed is that it's a viable channel.
13	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague.	13	Q. How about Discovery? Same question as
14	THE WITNESS: I'm not sure that	14	to Discovery.
15	Google has a performance. I'm not sure that that	15	A. I I honestly can't recall specific
16	particular evaluation criteria is a performance,	16	Discovery performance in the same way as Search.
17	per se. You would have to define performance	17	So I don't have an opinion one way or the other
18	alignment. I think that's more an assessment	18	on or that I can recall the specific numbers
19	of whether we believe there is a brand fit and	19	on performance of of Discovery.
20	whether that particular platform can deliver our	20	Q. And then how about with respect to
21	desired audience given this particular media	21	Display?
22	plan.	22	A. I have formed an opinion on Display.
23	BY MS. GOODMAN:	23	Q. Okay. What is your opinion on Google's
24	Q. Got it.	24	Display per historical performance vis-a-vis
25	And did have you ever formed an	25	Display?
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1	assessment of the alignment between Google and	1	A. My opinion formed after viewing several
2	the Army with respect to this evaluation criteria	2	quarters of MMM results is that Display has been
3	this particular criteria we're discussing?	3	an inefficient channel for the Army to deliver
4	A. I've never been provided any information	4	its recruiting message.
5	which would make me believe that, from an Army	5	Q. And is that a view you formed which is
6	brand and Google perspective, that there would be	6	specific to Google's Display offerings or extend
7	an issue. I can't recite specific numbers on	7	beyond Google?
8	audience alignment and Google, but I've never	8	A. I don't know specifically who else might
9	been prevented presented any information which	9	provide that, so my assessment's not necessarily
10	would make me think that Google cannot deliver	10	with full knowledge of the options that might be
11	the audience that we're looking for.	11	or the providers that may exist, only that
12	Q. Okay. And have you ever formed a view	12	that the channel/tactic itself just did not
13	of Google's historical performance as reflected	13	bear out in our reports that it was working as
14	in the second criteria?	14	well as some other efforts were.
15	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague.	15	Q. And did you ever discuss that with
16	THE WITNESS: Given that there's	16	anybody at Google, the inefficiencies of dIsplay?
17	different Google products, can you be more	17	A. I don't recall a time where we had
18	specific?	18	occasion to discuss our actual performance, or
19	BY MS. GOODMAN:	19	that I was involved in with Google.
20	Q. Let's start with Search.	20	Q. Okay. Have you been involved in any
21	A. Okay.	21	discussions about using a different provider of
22	Q. Have you formed a view of Google's	22	display advertising than Google?
23	performance historical performance for the	23	A. I have not been involved in a discussion
24	Army on Search?	24	like that.
25	A. I have.	25	Q. Do you know whether the Army, in fact,

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1	uses more than one provider of display	1	distribution of our message, I don't see how
2	advertising?	2	Google has a role in protecting, considering it's
3	A. I do not know who or how many are even	3	available to so many. I wouldn't think they have
4	available. I don't know the answer to that.	4	a role in protecting anybody's. That's our
5	Q. Okay. Let's go to Estimated Potential	5	responsibility to look at and assess where any
6	for Efficient ROI. Have you formed an assessment	6	distribution platform, channel, site that we may
7	of Google's potential for efficient ROI?	7	be any any of those things, any of these
8	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague.	8	actual media networks or properties are a fit for
9	THE WITNESS: Again, any assessment	9	brand safety.
10	would be not of Google as a whole, but of	10	BY MS. GOODMAN:
11	depending on the channel product itself.	11	Q. I see.
12	BY MS. GOODMAN:	12	A. So I don't think Google is a yes or a no
13	Q. Okay. So let's talk first about Search.	13	specifically.
14	What is your view on the potential for efficient	14	Q. Do you view Google as a risky
15	ROI with respect to Search?	15	distribution channel for the brand safety of the
16	A. The information that I've seen	16	Army?
17	throughout our quarterly MMMs has indicated or	17	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague and
18	given me the impression that Search has been an	18	foundation.
19	efficient channel for us.	19	THE WITNESS: During the time that I've
20	Q. Same question as to YouTube.	20	been at AEMO, I'm certainly not aware of anything
21	A. Generally speaking, as I can best recall	21	that would give me pause or concern with respect
22	from the MMM reports, YouTube tends to perform	22	to working with Google being a risk to brand
23	fairly well comparatively on an efficiency	23	safety.
24	standpoint relative to the various channels in	24	BY MS. GOODMAN:
25	the marketing mix.	25	Q. And then the last criteria, flexible
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1	Q. And how about with respect to Discovery?	1	cancellation terms adherence to industry-standard
2	A. I don't know the answer to that one.	2	contractual out clauses, do you have any ability
3	Q. Okay. And how about with respect to	3	to assess Google's flexible cancellation terms,
4	display?	4	one way or another?
5	A. I don't know which all partners may or	5	A. I do not.
6	may not be involved in display. I know that our	6	Q. Okay. Do you recall attending a Google
7	MMM results have shown that display, in general,	7	Marketing Live event?
8	has not performed at the same efficient rate as	8	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague.
9	other options available to us.	9	THE WITNESS: Can you be specific about
10	Q. Okay. What is your assessment of	10	the timing?
11	Google's ability to maintain expected levels of	11	BY MS. GOODMAN:
12	brand safety?	12	Q. Sure can. Give me a sec.
13	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague and	13	Summer of 2022.
14	foundation.	14	A. Is there a document that I can review?
15	THE WITNESS: I think there's a measure	15	Q. I do not have it, no. I'm sorry.
16	of risk assessment involved in that that we have	16	A. I have recollection of attending events
17	to constantly assess and reassess in light of	17	with Google, but I can't attest to the date,
18	current market conditions and activities or	18	specifically.
19	events in the information sphere and that may	19	Q. Okay. What how many events do you
20	change from time period to time period.	20	recall attending with Google?
21	BY MS. GOODMAN:	21	A. Two.
	Q. And does Google, in your view, help	22	Q. What were those two events that you are
22		I	
22 23	protect the brand safety of the Army?	23	recalling?
	protect the brand safety of the Army?  MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; foundation.	23 24	recalling?  A. One was in Chicago at the local office

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1	Google. And the other was in California at the	1	A. I mean, I generally recall the room and
2	headquarters.	2	that we had slides and that there were a number
3	Q. Okay. Starting with the first event you	3	of presenters on a number of topics. I don't
4	recall at the local office of Google, what was	4	recall what all the topics were specifically,
5	that event? What what took place at that	5	but
6	event?	6	Q. Do you recall any of the topics?
7	A. That was an educational event hosted	7	A. No, I don't.
8	by Google to inform Army marketers on Google	8	Q. Okay. Let's turn to the event at the
9	products, how other customers have been able to	9	California in California at HQ was that at
10	be successful or not, TTPs or what we say in the	10	Google's headquarters?
11	Army, tactics, technique, procedures, meaning	11	A. It was.
12	just generally how you go about things, so to	12	Q. Okay. And did other marketing
13	share with us information about how we might	13	professionals from the other branches of the
14	either perform better or continue to perform	14	military attend that, to your recollection?
15	well or use products effectively.	15	A. Yes.
16	Q. Did you find that event informative?	16	Q. Okay. What what was the purpose of
17	A. Yes.	17	that event?
18	Q. Did you find it useful?	18	A. I was attending on behalf of
19	A. I found the discussion stimulating.	19	Major General Fink. My understanding of the
20	I can't recall me specifically going back and	20	purpose, it was similar to the earlier meeting
21	and then using something from there in the	21	in Chicago, but a year later and, more broadly,
22	course of my routine duties.	22	participation from the other services, whereas
23	Q. Did that educational event provide any	23	the first was Army only. And this had other
24	value, from your point of view, to the Army?	24	services, all, in my perception, with the same
25	A. I would say in that knowledge and	25	intent to educate the audience on certain aspects
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1	education is always valuable, I certainly	1	of Google's product line and give examples of
2	couldn't ascribe a particular quantity or figure	2	how some of their customers have used them
3	or dollar figure of value.	3	effectively.
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2	legal conclusion and lack of foundation.	2	Q. To your knowledge, did the Army purchase
3	MS. GOODMAN: What is the legal	3	any Open Web Display Advertising from Google?
4	conclusion that the question "how does money get	4	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a
5	paid out to vendors"	5	legal conclusion. Lack of foundation.
6	MR. MCBIRNEY: You asked	6	MS. GOODMAN: What's the legal
7	MS. GOODMAN: call for a legal	7	conclusion that question called for?
8	conclusion?	8	MR. MCBIRNEY: I'm sorry. I withdraw
9	MR. MCBIRNEY: You asked how it gets	9	that objection. Lack of foundation.
10	paid out under a contract, so I assume you're	10	BY MS. GOODMAN:
11	asking how the contract dictates certain forms of	11	Q. Okay. Colonel, to your knowledge,
12	payment. If you want to ask him how does money	12	did the Army purchase any Open Web Display
13	get paid out, that's a different question.	13	Advertising from Google?
14	BY MS. GOODMAN:	14	MR. MCBIRNEY: Same objection.
15	Q. Okay. Colonel, do you know how money	15	THE WITNESS: I don't have any direct
16	is paid for the purchase of display ad any	16	knowledge of that.
17	advertising?	17	BY MS. GOODMAN:
18	A. The only thing that I understand in	18	Q. To your knowledge, did the Army pay
19	the process is that an invoice is received, the	19	Google directly for the use of DV360?
20	COR verifies that the government received the	20	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a
21	services or the benefits of and that that	21	legal conclusion. Lack of foundation.
22	information is transmitted to finance individuals	22	THE WITNESS: I don't have any knowledge
23	or resource management in the business management	23	of that.
24	directorate, who then affect whatever is required	24	BY MS. GOODMAN:
25	to actually transfer funds.	25	Q. To your knowledge, did the Army pay
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1	Q. Do you know who sends who issues the	1	Google directly for the use of Google Ads?
2	invoices that you're referencing?	2	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a
3	A. I not necessarily, I don't.	3	legal conclusion. Lack of foundation.
4	Q. Okay. To your knowledge, did the	4	THE WITNESS: I don't have any knowledge
5	Army purchase any ad tech services directly from	5	of that.
6	Google?	6	BY MS. GOODMAN:
7	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a	7	Q. To your knowledge, did the Army pay
8	legal conclusion, and lack of foundation.	8	Google directly for the use of AdWords?
9	THE WITNESS: I don't have any knowledge	9	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a
10	of of that occurring.	10	legal conclusion. Lack of foundation.
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13	any display advertising directly from Google?	13	BY MS. GOODMAN:
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15	legal conclusion. Lack of foundation.	15	Google directly for the use of Google Display
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16		17	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a
16 17	knowledge of that.	11/	Cojection Cumb for a
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2	THE WITNESS: I don't have any knowledge	2	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a
3	of that.	3	legal conclusion and vague.
4	BY MS. GOODMAN:	4	THE WITNESS: I don't have any knowledge
5	Q. To your knowledge, did the Army pay	5	of money exchanges.
6	Google directly for the use of Campaign Manager?	6	BY MS. GOODMAN:
7	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a	7	Q. Okay. And when I say "direct," I'm
8	legal conclusion. Lack of foundation.	8	using the term that you the way that you
9	THE WITNESS: I don't have any knowledge	9	defined it meaning the way I think it was the
10	of that.	10	closest distance between two points; is that
11	BY MS. GOODMAN:	11	right?
12	Q. To your knowledge, did the Army pay	12	А. І
13	Google directly for the use of Google Ad Manager?	13	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague.
14	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a	14	THE WITNESS: I don't have any knowledge
15	legal conclusion. Lack of foundation.	15	of any payments or how we make payments or who we
16	THE WITNESS: I don't have any knowledge	16	make payments to.
17	of that.	17	BY MS. GOODMAN:
18	BY MS. GOODMAN:	18	Q. Okay. Are you of aware of any
19	Q. To your knowledge, did the Army pay	19	agreement between the Army and Google with two
20	Google directly for the use of DoubleClick for	20	parties to that agreement?
21	Publishers?	21	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a
22	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a	22	legal conclusion. Lack of foundation.
23	legal conclusion. Lack of foundation.	23	THE WITNESS: I'm not aware of the
24	THE WITNESS: I don't have any knowledge	24	existence of an agreement, if there is one or
25	of that.	25	not.
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1	BY MS. GOODMAN:	1	BY MS. GOODMAN:
2	Q. To your knowledge, did the Army pay	2	Q. Okay. Has anybody at your ad agency,
3	Google directly for the use of DoubleClick Ad	3	DDB, ever told you that Google was engaging in
4	Exchange?	4	anticompetitive conduct?
5	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a	5	A. No.
6	legal conclusion. Lack of foundation.	6	Q. Did anybody at your ad agency, DDB, ever
7	THE WITNESS: I don't have any knowledge	7	tell you that Google was causing you to pay more
8	of that.	8	for digital advertising?
9	BY MS. GOODMAN:	9	A. No.
10	Q. To your knowledge, did the Army pay	10	Q. Did anybody at your ad agency, DDB, ever
11	Google directly for the use of AdSense?	11	tell that you Google was causing the Army to pay
12	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a	12	more for Open Web Display Advertising?
13	legal conclusion. Lack of foundation.	13	A. No.
14	THE WITNESS: I don't have any knowledge	14	Q. Did anybody at OMD ever tell you that
15	of that.	15	Google was engaging in anticompetitive conduct?
16	BY MS. GOODMAN:	16	A. No.
17	Q. To your knowledge, did the Army pay	17	Q. Did anyone at OMD ever tell you that
18	Google directly for the use of AdMob?	18	Google was causing the Army to pay more for
19	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Calls for a	19	digital advertising?
	legal conclusion. Lack of foundation.		A. No.
20	_	20	
21	THE WITNESS: I don't have any knowledge	21	<ul><li>Q. Did anybody at OMD ever tell you that</li><li>Google was causing the Army to pay more for Open</li></ul>
21	of that		Transper was calleing the Army to hav more for Unen
22	of that.	22	
22 23	BY MS. GOODMAN:	23	Web Display Advertising?
22			

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1	concerns that Google has harmed the Army?	1	provided, which the Army has used as part of your
2	A. I suppose I have some concern by the	2	overall marketing plan, was that a valuable
3	fact that I'm here participating in a deposition	3	service?
4	about it even though the fact that I may not	4	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; foundation.
5	understand the extent or the breadth or how that	5	THE WITNESS: The service is necessary
6	harm occurred, as certainly not being an expert	6	given few options else elsewhere.
7	in law or contracts, but there must be a reason	7	BY MS. GOODMAN:
8	I'm here.	8	Q. When you say "few options elsewhere,"
9	Q. And do you know the reason that you're	9	what do you mean?
10	here?	10	A. There's really not an efficient
11	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague.	11	there's really not an effective way to
12	THE WITNESS: I only know the reason I'm	12	achieve, for example, reach and search, other
13	here is to provide a deposition and and try to	13	than must using Google. Other competitive
14	be helpful in answering accurately as best I can.	14	search engines don't provide the same reach. So
15	BY MS. GOODMAN:	15	the Army's not necessarily in a position to not
16	Q. Okay. So other than the fact of your	16	use it.
17	deposition here strike that.	17	Q. Does with respect to DB
18	Is there any other reason beside the	18	programmatic display ads you have no knowledge
19	fact of your being here for a deposition that you	19	or awareness however of any other competitors
20	have any concerns that Google has harmed the	20	that provide such a service; is that correct?
21	Army?	21	MR. MCBIRNEY: Object to the form of the
22	MR. MCBIRNEY: Object to the form of the	22	question.
23	question.	23	THE WITNESS: If there are competitors
24	THE WITNESS: I have not previously	24	in that particular offering, I I'm not aware
25	been provided any information that would cause me	25	of them by name or that they even exist.
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1	concern.	1	BY MS. GOODMAN:
2	BY MS. GOODMAN:	2	Q. You just don't know one way or another
3	Q. And sitting here today, is it accurate	3	if they are competitors; is that correct?
4	to say that Google has, in fact, helped the Army?	4	A. I do not know one way or the other with
5	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; foundation.	5	respect to that particular service.
6	THE WITNESS: I think it's fair to say	6	Q. Okay. Do you use Google yourself?
7	that Google, like other networks or providers,	7	A. I do.
8	have been engaged with the Army and our	8	Q. What what do you use Google for
9	enterprise to attract potential enlistees	9	yourself?
10	or officer candidates to the Army.	10	A. Currently for news.
11	BY MS. GOODMAN:	11	Q. Do you use Google Search?
12	Q. And in the course of Google's engagement	12	A. I do.
13	with the Army to attract potential enlistees, has	13	Q. Do you use Gmail?
14	Google helped the Army	14	A. I have a Gmail account, but I wouldn't
15	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; foundation.	15	say that I use it routinely.
16	BY MS. GOODMAN:	16	Q. Do you have a different personal email
17	Q achieve that goal?	17	account
1 ,	MR. MCBIRNEY: Sorry. Objection. Asked	18	A. I do.
18		19	Q that you use? Do you use it for work
	and answered and foundation.	1)	
18		20	purposes?
18 19	and answered and foundation.		purposes? A. No.
18 19 20	and answered and foundation.  THE WITNESS: I think Google has provided a service that the Army has used as a	20	A. No.
18 19 20 21	and answered and foundation.  THE WITNESS: I think Google has	20 21	
18 19 20 21 22	and answered and foundation.  THE WITNESS: I think Google has provided a service that the Army has used as a part of our overall marketing plan to attract	20 21 22	<ul><li>A. No.</li><li>Q. Are you aware of any document retention</li></ul>

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1	to the keeping, maintaining or deletion of	1	deleted any "reply all" emails this year that say
2	documents at AEMO?	2	"thanks"?
3	A. I'm not aware of a specific AEMO policy	3	A. That's not my testimony.
4	that covers those topics.	4	Q. Okay. Have you ever deleted any "reply
5	Q. Okay. Are you aware of an Army policy	5	all" emails this year
6	that covers those topics?	6	A. I'm sure that I have.
7	A. Not in any specific detail I'm not.	7	Q that you've described?
8	Q. Okay. Do you know if there are any	8	Okay. Have you ever deleted any emails
9	rules or policies that apply to when it is	9	on which you were just a cc this year?
10	appropriate to delete documents at AEMO?	10	A. I'm sure that I have.
11	A. No, I'm not aware of any rules.	11	Q. What other kinds of documents have you
12	Q. Okay. Do you have any pol practice	12	deleted this year?
13	of deleting documents?	13	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection. Assumes
14	A. I will occasionally delete documents.	14	facts.
15	Q. For what re under what circumstances	15	THE WITNESS: I've described as best as
16	do you delete documents?	16	I can describe.
17	A. Unfortunately, there's too many people	17	BY MS. GOODMAN:
18	who are too liberal with the "reply all," and	18	Q. Do you have a work-provided mobile
19	I'll have the same message with the message	19	device?
20	thanks. And I'll end up deleting the nonrelevant	20	A. I do.
21	messages that just fill the inbox.	21	Q. What device do you have that's provided
22	Q. Any other circumstances that you delete	22	by work?
23	documents?	23	A. I have an iPhone.
24	A. I may go back and look at things that	24	Q. And how do you use your iPhone for work
25	are years old from units where I no longer serve	25	purposes?
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1	or jobs I no longer have and remove emails to	1	A. I use it for phone calls, for text
2	just free up storage space.	2	and for WhatsApp communication for daily status
3	Q. Do you ever delete documents to free up	3	report in the sense of our team reports, hey, I'm
4	storage strike that.	4	present for duty today; I'm TDY today; I'm on
5	Do you ever delete documents to free up	5	leave today.
6	storage space space even if the documents	6	Q. How do you use text messaging at work?
7	pertain to your current work?	7	A. Infrequently.
8	MR. MCBIRNEY: Objection; vague.	8	Q. And when you use it infrequently, what
9	THE WITNESS: I may delete an email if	9	do you for what purpose do you use it?
10	it wasn't intended for me or if I'm just a cc on	10	A. For quick exchanges. Questions. Are
11	somebody else's email who thought everyone in the	11	you available for something? Are you going to be
12	office should know about something that wasn't	12	in the office today? Basic information between
13	relevant to me.	13	colleagues.
14	BY MS. GOODMAN:	14	Q. Have you had occasion to look back at
15	Q. Okay. The circumstances that you have	15	your text messages this year in order to provide
16	described with respect to deleting documents,	16	them to attorneys at the Department of Justice?
17	have you prac have you engaged in that kind of	17	A. No. I didn't look back at them.
18	deletion in the year 2023?	18	Q. Nobody's asked you to go look at your
19	A. No.	19	text messages for anything potentially relevant
20	Q. Why not?	20	to this lawsuit. Is that accurate?
21	A. I've generally set for myself a	21	MR. MCBIRNEY: I'm going to object to
	couple-of-year policy of looking back. And,	22	the extent this calls for protected
	couple-of-year policy of fooking back. And,		
22			
	frankly, sometimes I just forget and haven't done it.	23 24	attorney-client privileged. If you can answer without disclosing privileged communications, you

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1	Page 246 for information relevant to this lawsuit?	1	Page 248
1	A. I did not.		Jimmy McBirney, Esq.
2	MS. GOODMAN: I reserve the remainder of	3	jimmy.mcbirney@usdoj.gov August 21, 2023
3		4	RE: United States, Et Al v. Google, LLC
4	my time for this deposition based on the improper		-
5	privilege assertions made at the outset of the	5	8/18/2023, John Horning (#6060378)
6	deposition. So I close the dep I'm holding	6	The above-referenced transcript is available for review.
7	the deposition open.		
8	MR. MCBIRNEY: Can I get a time check?	8	Within the applicable timeframe, the witness should
9	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are at 5:55	9	read the testimony to verify its accuracy. If there are
10	minutes.	10	any changes, the witness should note those with the
11	MR. MCBIRNEY: Okay. The government	11	reason, on the attached Errata Sheet.
12	does not agree with your position that the	12	The witness should sign the Acknowledgment of
13	deposition should remain open, but we understand	13	Deponent and Errata and return to the deposing attorney.
14	your position.	14	Copies should be sent to all counsel, and to Veritext at
15	MS. GOODMAN: Okay.	15	erratas-cs@veritext.com
16	MR. MCBIRNEY: Off the record.	16	D
17	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Anything else for the	17	Return completed errata within 30 days from
18	record?		receipt of testimony.
19	MS. GOODMAN: Thank you, Colonel.	19	If the witness fails to do so within the time
20	THE WITNESS: Thank you very much.		allotted, the transcript may be used as if signed.
21	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This marks the end of	21	
22	the deposition of Colonel John Horning. We're	22	Yours,
23	going off the record at 1753.	23	Veritext Legal Solutions
24	(Deposition concluded 5:53 p.m.)	24	
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1	CERTIFICATE	1	United States, Et Al v. Google, LLC
2		2	John Horning (#6060378)
3	I do hereby certify that I am a Notary	3	ERRATA SHEET
4	Public in good standing, that the aforesaid	4	PAGELINECHANGE
5	testimony was taken before me, pursuant to	5	
6	notice, at the time and place indicated; that		REASON
7	said deponent was by me duly sworn to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the	7	PAGELINECHANGE
9	truth; that the testimony of said deponent was	8	
10	correctly recorded in machine shorthand by me and	9	REASON
11	thereafter transcribed under my supervision with	10	PAGELINECHANGE
12	computer-aided transcription; that the deposition	11	
13	is a true and correct record of the testimony		REASON
14	given by the witness; and that I am neither of		PAGELINECHANGE
15	counsel nor kin to any party in said action, nor		
16	interested in the outcome thereof.	15	REASON
17		16	PAGELINECHANGE
18	WITNESS my hand and official seal this	17	
19	21st day c	18	REASON
20	Jan K. Haer.	19	PAGELINECHANGE
21	Jan R. Xan.	20	
			REASON
22	Notary Public	22	
23		23	
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24 25		24	John Horning Date

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1	United States, Et Al v. Google, LLC	
	John Horning (#6060378)	
3	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DEPONENT	
4	I, John Horning, do hereby declare that I	
5	have read the foregoing transcript, I have made any	
	corrections, additions, or changes I deemed necessary as	
	noted above to be appended hereto, and that the same is	
9	given by me.	
10	<b>3</b> 11 1 <b>7</b> 11	
11		
	John Horning Date	
	*If notary is required	
14	SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS	
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## Federal Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 30

- (e) Review By the Witness; Changes.
- (1) Review; Statement of Changes. On request by the deponent or a party before the deposition is completed, the deponent must be allowed 30 days after being notified by the officer that the transcript or recording is available in which:
- (A) to review the transcript or recording; and
- (B) if there are changes in form or substance, to sign a statement listing the changes and the reasons for making them.
- (2) Changes Indicated in the Officer's Certificate. The officer must note in the certificate prescribed by Rule 30(f)(1) whether a review was requested and, if so, must attach any changes the deponent makes during the 30-day period.

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